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Editorial

FIRST of all we must say how happy we are to resume publication of our magazine after an enforced lapse of three years. This particular issue will look both backwards and forwards, backwards with thankful pride towards the achievements of our Old Boys during the past five years and forward with a reasoned confidence and courageous heart to the changing and challenging future.

We feel that private schools have made a very definite contribution towards the winning of the war, that this type of school which has been described as outmoded and anachronistic in this country has been justified of her children. Elsewhere in this issue you will find a detailed account of this contribution and of the loss that such a contribution has of necessity entailed.

But important as the past is and however necessary it may be to praise famous men, it is to the future we must point our eyes. Our country, along with all others, has passed through many stresses and strains. There have been many losses—of life, of natural resources, of abilities that should have been devoted to the knitting together, firstly of the various elements in our country and secondly to making this national unity international, for the greater unity cannot exist without the lesser.

It falls to the lot of our generation, then, to do the building after others have ensured that we shall have a country in which to build. In this building Private Schools have a unique rôle to play, a rôle that cannot be played by the state-controlled system. Since we believe this whole-heartedly, we feel that there is no need for undue diffidence in stating our case. Too often in the past have Private Schools endured criticism in silence, thus giving the impression that they had no means of defence and that the charges levelled against them must in the main be true.

What then is the task of such schools as ours? First and foremost Private Schools should give a class-room education at least as good as that which is offered in the best High Schools. Secondly they should concern themselves with extra-curricular activities in a way that no High School can be expected to do since the latter has the boy for only seven or eight hours while the former has him for twenty-four hours a day. But these two tasks do not comprise the whole duty of a Private School. Their third task—and Private Schools fail completely if they fail in this—is to provide a sheet-anchor founded on faith, not merely the narrow dogma of any particular religious faith but a deep and abiding reliance on certain fundamental truths, a reliance that no mockery can diminish, no cleverness dissipate. The period between the two World Wars was

one in which there was no such faith, when to be clever and amusing was more important than anything else, when duty, honour, industry were in so many quarters words that might once have had some meaning but which in the enlightened twenties and thirties were targets for the cynical shafts of those who knew better.

The technological improvements in the physical world will prove but a boomerang if they are unaccompanied by this faith. It is, then, the task of the Private Schools to inculcate this faith.

May we close with the wish that 1946 will bring greater Peace to the world and happiness to each and every one.



Photograph by Burrows.

School Notes

THIS year, the first for many a one, we have a full teaching and matrons' staff. It is a very great pleasure to welcome back Miss Fenwick, who returns to us after four strenuous years in various theatres of war with the A.T.S.

We should like to extend a welcome to the following:

To Mr. and Mrs. Muir who have come from Eastern Canada. Mr. Muir is in charge of the Science. During the war years he has been employed by the army in a technical capacity.

To Mr. Timmis who eventually arrived from England where he was, for many years prior to the war, senior Mathematical Master at Canford.

To Miss Herriges who has come to teach the junior form after a wide experience on the prairies and elsewhere.

To Mr. McIntyre who has exchanged H.M.C.S. *Uganda* for the Shawnigan Lake gymnasium.

The School Prefects this year are E. T. Naden, J. S. Oostermeyer, I. G. L. Freeth, R. D. Chapman, P. J. Goodenough, and S. G. Milbrad.

In January of this year, P. F. Rawlinson successfully passed the Entrance Examination into the California Institute of Technology.

In Senior Matriculation, Macdonald was successful and Edmunds, Everest and Belither were successful in the Junior Matriculation. For the second successive year the School won the Provincial Government Scholarship for this District, this year's winner being Everest.

Macdonald was Captain of Cricket this summer and Naden is the Captain of the present Football Team.

The Pancake Greaze, held on Shrove Tuesday, was won by Duncan and Goodenough for Form VU.

There have been very few movie shows during the past year as the machine was out of order for the greater part of the period. However, we hope that with the coming of Peace it will be possible to get the necessary parts for the machine.

A number of dances have been held during the past year. We shall long remember the one early in June when the beautifully-

decorated Big School and the garden with its hint of budding beauty provided an unforgettable setting.

Our grateful thanks to Messrs. P. A. Woodward, J. H. Roaf, Dr. Colin Graham, and R. H. Tupper for their valuable help to the School.

We regret to report the death on December 2nd, 1945, of Lady Lake, widow of the late Lieut.-General Sir Percy Lake, who was the first Chairman of our Board of Governors; and also of Lord Colville who was killed on March 19th, 1944.

The School was lent to the Diocesan Clergy Conference in July, 1944, and again in 1945. This year it was succeeded by a Layman Conference under the direction of the Reverend Canon Coleman. The Department of Education held a short course in "Leadership" during the 1945 Summer School and some sixty-five teachers attended.

Our grateful thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Harcourt for their gift of a large number of Bob's books for the Library.

Mrs. F. H. Stanton and Peter Belither are to be congratulated on the results of their work in the garden.



Photograph by Freeth.

Chapel Notes



THE usual Chapel Services have been held throughout the past three years with evening services during each Lent Term. The Bishop of Columbia has confirmed, each year, candidates from the School as well as girls from Stratheona Lodge School. The following number of boys were confirmed: four in 1943, sixteen in 1944, and ten in 1945. The flowers at these Services were given by Mrs. P. A. Woodward and, in 1943, a new dossal curtain behind the Altar, given by Mrs. Dudgeon, was used for the first time. We are very grateful to these friends of the School for their continued interest.

The Rev. F. E. Tomalin left the School in June, 1943, to join the Royal Canadian Air Force. He was succeeded by Brother Douglas, S.S.F., and then by the Rev. B. O. G. Dixon in September, 1944. The Rev. E. M. Willis is back with us, since September, 1945, and is taking Matins every Sunday and Holy Communion. Sermons have been preached by the Lord Bishop of Columbia, the Rev. Canon Coleman, the Rev. N. S. Noel and the Head Master.

The Choir has made its contribution towards worship by giving us the following anthems during the course of the last three years:

Jesu, Joy (Bach).

Blessing, Glory, Wisdom and Thanks (Bach).

How Shall I Fitly Meet Thee? (Bach).

Expectans Expectavi (Wood).

Blessed Are They That Mourn (Brahm's Requiem).

The Lord My Pasture (G. Shaw).

God is a Spirit (Sterndale Bennett).

There has been an Intercession Service each year on November 11th and a Memorial Service in 1945. We should like to express the hope that this particular service will never be discontinued. This solemn service was never meant to celebrate the successful ending of one war; rather its purpose was to recall once more that men have died that we may live, that the sacrifice of past generations must not be lightly forgotten but kept perpetually enshrined in our hearts.

Carol Services have been held on the last Sunday of each Michaelmas Term. The outspoken enjoyment and deep appreciation of these services have, we hope, repaid Miss Lonsdale in some measure for the long hours of practice necessary to produce such an apparently effortless result.

The rather unusual experience of spending Easter, 1943, in residence at the School enabled us to have fine Easter Services. Most

of the newly confirmed made their first Communion on this occasion. During the Good Friday Service, we were privileged to hear portions of the St. Matthew Passion (Bach).

The sad death of our janitor, Benjamin Lovell, on June 17th, 1943, meant that the Chapel was used for the first time for a funeral Service. The Service, held on June 19th, was conducted by the Rev. E. M. Willis and the School Chaplain.

Donations have been made from the Chapel Fund to the Synod of the Diocese, St. Barnabas' Church, The Red Cross, the Poppy Fund, the Aid to Russia Fund, the Navy League of Canada, and St. Mark's Church.



EXAMINATIONS

1943. In June, 1943, with two exceptions, all candidates wrote the British Columbia Provincial Examinations. The exceptions were Selous who wrote the Entrance Examination for the Royal Navy and passed extremely well, and Hickey who passed the Entrance Examination to the California Institute of Technology. Eight boys wrote the Entrance Examination for the University of British Columbia and seven passed in all subjects. In Senior Matriculation, eight boys sat and seven passed in all subjects. The eighth failed in Mathematics.

1944. We had no candidates for Senior Matriculation owing to the fact that all boys eligible proposed to join one or other of the Services. Nine boys wrote the Junior Matriculation Examinations and all nine passed with an average mark of 79%. One boy, R. S. M. Ling, was awarded the Provincial Scholarship for Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland and in addition to his Junior Matriculation he took Senior Matriculation Greek in which he obtained 90%.

1945. Only five candidates sat in June, 1945. Of these four passed and one of these, B. B. Everest, won the Provincial Scholarship for this district, thus bringing the Scholarship to the School for the second consecutive year. Macdonald wrote his Senior Matriculation and is now at Toronto University. One boy successfully passed the Entrance Examination to the California Institute of Technology.

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JUNE, 1943

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| Form VII—K. F. A. Wallis | Form IV—J. S. Oostermeyer |
| Form VI—P. B. Ballentine | Form Remove A—N. Collison |
| Form VU—H. G. Macdonald | Form Remove B—P. H. Leir |
| Form VL—E. E. Edmunds | |
| Bishop's Prize for Reading—E. R. Larsen | |
| Efficiency Prize (Michaelmas)—E. R. Larsen | |
| (Lent Term)—E. R. Larsen | |
| (Summer Term)—E. R. Larsen | |
| House Cups (Sports)—Lake's | |
| The Grogan Tennis Cup—E. R. Larsen | |
| Sportsmanship Cup—E. E. Edmunds | |

JUNE, 1944

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| Form VI—R. S. M. Ling | Form Remove A—R. G. Ely |
| Form VU—B. B. Everest | Form Remove B—J. S. Warren |
| Form VL—J. S. Oostermeyer | Form III—C. D. Mainguy |
| Form IV—J. G. M. Ling | Form II—T. H. Brooks |

JUNE, 1945

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| Form VII—H. G. Macdonald | Form Remove A—J. A. Pearkes |
| Form VI—B. B. Everest | Form Remove B—J. B. Burr |
| Form VU—J. S. Price | Form III—R. W. McLaren |
| Form VL—S. G. Milbrad | Form II—P. A. Saul |
| Form IV—R. G. Ely | |
| The Grogan Tennis Cup—held by E. E. Edmunds | |
| Sportsmanship Cup—held by P. Belither | |

THE HOBBY SHOP

The Machine Shop

There has been considerable activity in the woodworking department this term and three boys have been busy with the metal lathes. An attempt has been made to teach a junior form to use a few tools correctly and to perform simple operations rather than rely on machines. A simple project, accurately made and carefully finished throughout by a boy, is preferable to a more ambitious undertaking in which most of the work is done by some machine. In the early part of the term there was a good deal of work in connection with the forts, doors and windows, etc., being built.

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The Photography Club

During the term the membership of the club has dropped because several of last year's members disliked the new rule that they would be required to work or resign. However, there is still plenty of enthusiasm and keenness among the present active members, headed by our able president, T. H. Gowman.

In the course of the summer the lens of the enlarger disappeared. Naturally we missed this very much as enlarging was one of the most popular sides of the club's activities. We have, however, located another lens which, we hope, will arrive in the very near future.

Unfortunately, this term we do not have the keen support of Mr. Dixon, who helped us a great deal last year. We miss him and hope that before long we shall have the assistance of another master.

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The Printing Club

There has not been much activity but Burrows is shamed into spasmodic activity to keep his hand in.

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The Taxidermy Club

We hope to restart this club as there are some boys, notably Hagar, who have an infectious enthusiasm.

CADET CORPS

ANNUAL INSPECTION, 1945

The annual inspection of the Cadet Corps was held on April 30th. This year the inspecting officer was Col. K. M. Holloway, the Director of Army Cadets. This was the first time that we had been inspected by an Officer of this importance and the Corps made every effort to attain efficiency. Following a march past by two platoons and a band of nine instruments, demonstrations of training carried out during the year were given, followed by a Physical Training display. As a result of the inspection the Corps was ranked Excellent in the Annual Report.

CADET CORPS NOTES

Officers, 1944—Cadet Captain—Stainsby

Cadet Lieutenant—Macdonald

Cadet Lieutenant—King

Signalling.

In the examinations held in May six cadets received Semaphore Certificates, eight passed in Morse and five in Advanced Morse.

Shooting.

All members of the Corps were given instruction in shooting. Three teams were entered for the D.C.R.A. Winter Competitions and one team for the R.M.C. Inter-School Challenge Shield Competition.

Scores:—

D. C. R. A. Winter Competitions

| | 1st team | 2nd team | 3rd team |
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| Average | 86.07 | 78.67 | 70.97 |

Medal winner—Freeth (after a shoot-off with Macdonald).

R. M. C. Inter-Club Shield

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MUSIC NOTES

MUSIC still plays a dominant part in the life of the School. Miss Lonsdale instils much of her own enthusiasm and some of her great ability in everyone she teaches. But this love of music goes deeper than this at Shawnigan—for even in those who are not in the choir or the orchestra, there exist a love and appreciation of music that become apparent to even the most casual observer at such times as on the occasion of a school concert or at a recital given by some visitor. Lack of space precludes a complete account of all our musical activities during the past three years but we should like to mention the following.

On November 23rd, 1944, Gordon Staples, the fifteen-year-old violinist from Vancouver, played to a delighted audience of Shawnigan Lake School boys and girls from Strathcona Lodge School. We were invited to Strathcona Lodge School to hear the famous English singer, Mr. John Goss. We should like to thank Mr. Holloway and his pupil, David Oldham, Baritone, for the recital they gave.

The 1945 orchestra, which included some Strathcona Lodge girls, consisted entirely of Strings, as the Wind were busy with the Cadet Corps. Macdonald and Toshach proved a tower of strength.

The school concerts for the past three years have been rich and varied but lack of space prevents us from printing the programmes in full. However, we cannot refrain from giving an account and the programme of the 1945 concert:

“It is always a pleasure to attend a Concert at Shawnigan Lake School and the Concert of the 17th of March with its interesting and varied programme was no exception.

The music is demonstrated in groups and little attention is paid to showing off a star pupil. The idea in making these concerts of a classical nature is to give the boys something worth while in Music to remain with them when school days are over.

The junior boys sang with interest and enjoyment songs by Bantock, Sumsion, Stanford, Le Fleming and, most charmingly, Handel’s “Where’er you walk” and “Up the Airy Mountain” by Rathbone. There was only one solo, “Sarabande and Tambourin” by Leclair, for violin, in which soloist and accompanist excelled. Delightful Trios for two violins and piano, “Chansonette” (Old French) and “Ballo” (Dussek) were much enjoyed. The final “Let us now praise Famous Men” (Vaughan-Williams) sung by the whole School was very impressive.

All accompaniments were played by boys of the school and not by a member of the staff, whose greater experience covers weak

spots. On this occasion, each, from the youngest to the oldest, stood or failed on his own merits."

THE PROGRAMME

GOD SAVE THE KING

1. Fairest Jenny
The Sheep under the Snow } *Traditional*
The fits come on me now } *Arranged by Williams*
The Orchestra
2. Songs:
The March of the Cameron Men *Arranged by Bantock*
This is the Weather *Sumsion*
Windy Nights *Stanford*
Juniors
3. Trio:
Chansonette *Old French*
Ballo *Dussek*
J. Thielen, R. Ely, C. Mainguy, D. Waterman
4. Songs:
Afield }
Over the Hills } from the Echoing Green *Le Fleming*
The Sheep }
Speedwell }
Juniors
5. Andante from Quartet in D minor *Mozart*
H. Macdonald, E. Toshach, R. Chapman, J. Ling
6. Song:
Sir Eglamore *Folk Song*
The Choir
7. Violin:
Sarabande and Tambourin *Leclair*
E. Toshach. Piano: J. Thielen
8. Songs:
The Lark in the Morn *Folk Song*
Where'er you walk *Handel*
Up the Airy Mountain *Rathbone*
Juniors
9. March }
Two Minuets } *Bach*
Musette }
The Orchestra
10. Overture and Rigaudon for Wind *Handel*
M. Stainsby, F. Collen, K. Bowman, B. Bowman
11. Songs:
Ho the trumpets *Handel*
Let us now praise Famous Men *Vaughan-Williams*
The School
Accompanists: B. Everest, E. Toshach, J. Bourke, S. Milbrad.

HOUSE NOTES

RIPLEY'S

Dear Mr. Ripley:

The time has come to write the Ripley's House Report. All the members of Ripley's House were considerably shaken when it was announced that two boys, one from Groves', one from Lake's, were to be their house prefects. However, when we became accustomed to each other's faces, we settled down to do our utmost to preserve the tradition of Ripley's House as the best house in the school. When we took stock of ourselves, we found that we had obtained by various ways and means five new boys and a new housemaster in the person of Mr. Duxbury.

Ripley's House produced a tremendous drama for the Rag Concert, "Little Abner and all that." Luckily we had any amount of acting talent in the House and were able to put it over quite well. We also contributed two members to the quartette.

In Rugby, we have maintained a fair standard. We have contributed six members to the First Rugby Team, including the Captain, Tom Naden. In Inter-House Rugby we beat Lake's House 16-3, but unfortunately lost Hanson with a dislocated finger at the beginning of the game. However, when we played Groves' we had a full team but, through the weakness of our forwards, we only tied them 3-3.

We were glad to hear that the head of the house for the past two years, Macdonald, who was offered the District Scholarship to the University of B. C., passed his Senior Matriculation with a high average and is now at Trinity College, Toronto. We are also happy to record that Peter Belither, after successfully passing his Junior Matriculation, has gone to England, where he entered the Royal Navy.

Early in the term we had a pleasant surprise when we learned that Hickey, who had left the school in 1942 to join the Marines, was returning to study for his entrance to the California Institute of Technology.

We should like to welcome the following five new boys who entered our house at the beginning of the year: William Pope, Grant Butt, John Kueckelhan, Gar Gilmore and John Mauk.

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LAKE'S

In order to improve the distribution of boys throughout the School a number of exchanges have been made between the Houses. We have both gained and lost by this; but, while we part with old

friends regretfully in the spirit "pro bono publico", we extend a hearty welcome to the new members of the House. We wish here to express our appreciation and sincere thanks to Mr. Twite for all he has done during the war years when all the staff had their hands over-full and we are glad to see him busy again with the foils. Mr. Timmis, who has recently arrived from England on demobilisation, is a resident master in the School pending his wife's arrival and is helping us to shake down on the lines of the old "Lake's."

Rugger. Normal inter-house rugger matches were replaced by a seven-a-side tournament in which we lost to Ripley's 16-3 and to Groves' 9-8. It is at least some consolation to know that the Captain of Ripley's and of the School XV is Naden, who, until this term, was a member of Lake's. In the match versus Groves' tries were scored by Harrison and Milbrad, Freeth converting the latter.

We congratulate Freeth, Milbrad, Harrison and Bourke on playing regularly for the 1st XV. The House is also strongly represented in the 2nd XV.

Sailing. Sailing captains this term are Ranken and Balshaw. The Boat House is a scene of daily activity where much work is being done to renovate and repair the boats ready for next season.

Fencing. The House is represented by Harrison, who is the outstanding fencer in the School this year.

Squash. There has been some activity in the Squash Courts but no inter-house events have yet taken place. Lack of matches at present prevents this game from developing into a major house interest.

Photography. Gowman is head of the Photographic Club and a number of house members are entering for the photographic competition to provide photographs for this magazine. At the time of writing the competition has not been decided, but whatever the result the House will have made a good effort to win.

Rag Concert. The House contributed a fantasy "When Knight-hood Was in Flower" and many members took part in other sketches and songs or assisted with important off-stage duties.

We welcome the following new boys this term: Harrison, Piddington, Berry, France, McKay I, McKay II, and Patterson II.

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GROVES'

We returned to school in September to find the Houses rearranged. Thus, Goodenough and Wood I went to Ripley's and we received in exchange Forrest and Pruett I. Losses uncompensated included Fisher, who is now in the Royal Navy, Rawlinson at Reed College, Portland, and Stainsby in Victoria.

Despite a slight increase in numbers, we were obliged to stick to seven-a-side rugby for inter-house matches. These were productive of keen excitement, Lake's putting up an excellent fight against us

and losing only 9-8, whilst we ourselves were able to tie 3-3 with the all-powerful Ripley's. Moreover, we contributed six players to the School 1st XV and six more to the Colts, one more of each than our fair share. But that, of course, is in strict accord with the Groves' tradition, as witness the six we contributed to the School Cricket XI last summer, when Goodenough and Fisher gained their Colours.

Several of the Old Boys paid us a visit on Armistice Day, and we were especially pleased to see that excellent Groves' man, Larsen. Others came to Brockton Point and supported us in our rugby match against St. George's School, Vancouver.

The House executive this year consists of Oostermeyer and Chapman, school prefects, assisted to some extent by Forrest and Fraser, though there are not as yet any ex officio house prefects.

Other activities, such a boxing and fencing, which vanished during the years of war, are making their appearance once more; and in our next publication we hope to give you a more varied and colourful account of ourselves.

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Photograph by C. H. Randall.

RAG CONCERTS



THE Rag Concerts have been kept up during the war years though they have been very uneven in quality.

This year the concert was an outstanding success, and the programme was well arranged in that there was considerable variety and welcome speed between the turns. The quartets were delightfully topical, with the words having a greater appeal than the voices. The actions of the quartet, however, lacked something of the rhythm and symmetry of the Rockettes. The "creepy, scary, scarecrows" kept us all on pins and needles until their round and smiling faces were finally revealed. In the House plays the Academy Award went by unanimous consent to the seductive Moonbeam Zeke McSwine while Daisy May of Seattle made a hit with his figure and Mauk with his refreshing lack of respect for the Head Prefect. Pruett enjoyed his gangster part, for which a prolonged course of Charlie Chan had prepared him. The pantomime brought down the house, with Milbrad and Harrison starring. In the last item of all, The Staff, making a valiant if not altogether successful attempt to return to boyhood's days, gave a spirited and spectacular rendering of a mythical matron.

There were others who did much of the donkey work necessary to make such a concert a success, notably Miss Herriges, who worked long hours sewing or making scenery, not only for her own play but for those of others. Mr. Muir was to be found at all odd spare moments quietly and unselfishly rehearsing the quartets while Mr. Twite made himself responsible for the stage arrangements.



IN September, 1942, a School Dramatic Club was formed under the guidance of Mr. Manson with E. R. Larsen as President. Shortly before the end of the Michaelmas Term, the Club presented several short skits, including "Box and Cox." The highlight of its activities, however, was the presentation on May 15th, 1943, of "Charley's Aunt" under the direction of Mr. Manson. The performance was in the best traditions of the inimitable old comedy and was the culmination of several months' rehearsals by the School Dramatic Club assisted by five members of Strathcona Lodge School. This was the first time Strathcona Lodge had combined efforts with the School and the innovation was a great success.

The cast of characters was as follows:

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| Brassett (a College Scout) | Leonide Ignatieff |
| Jack Chesney | Jack Huntington |
| Charles Wykeham | Kenneth Wallis |
| Lord Fancourt Babberley | E. R. Larsen |
| Kitty Verdun | Mary Twigg Woodward |
| Amy Spettigue | Nancy Rendell |
| Colonel Sir Francis Chesney | P. Ballentine |
| Stephen Spettigue | David Roberts |
| Farmer (a College Scout) | Ian Forrest |
| Donna Lucia d'Alvadorez | Faith Barraclough |
| Ela Delahay (an Orphan) | Pauline Nancollis |
| Maud (Parlour-maid) | Margaret Bradshaw |

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THE WEEKLY LETTER

Dear Mother, I hope you are well.

The weather here isn't too bad,
Although we have had a cold spell.

My love to Aunt Mabel and Dad.

I do so look forward, you know,

To getting your letters. I ought
Not to ask you for money; but O,

I am getting most terribly short.

I hope that your weather is fine.

On Sunday we went up the hill.

Well, buck up and drop me a line.

I guess that is all for now. Bill.

R. A. B. M.

Life In the Lower Cariboo

ONE who visits the Cariboo may get the first impression that it is a dull, monotonous place, but if he pushes aside the sage brush and peers through he may find things of interest which are not common in other parts of the world. The ranches of the district—for that is the main occupation—employ mostly Indians and Half-breeds when these persons are not at a stampede, in a poker game or at a funeral. It is not an uncommon sight to see a whole troop of Indians with their buggies, children, cayuse and dogs going along the road on their way to one of such mentioned. There are, of course, white men employed too, and some ranchers (probably the wisest) try to employ nothing but white men.

Of “zoot-suiters” and their kind the Cariboo is thankfully lacking, the Indians on Saturday nights making all the fuss the small towns can stand. A person might be rudely interrupted from his supper plate one night and, on going to the door, discover that the whooping and yelling is merely two intoxicated Indians racing up Main Street to the cheers of their companions and the cries of a poor jay-walker striving desperately to get out of the way.

The roads, though not super-highways, are usually quite drivable, the only danger being the cattle which have broken their fences and wander aimlessly onto the road. They stand waiting for a car to come along so that they can cross the road and cause the car to slow down and honk its horn in a vain attempt to get the animal to move. Occasionally when the animal is too slow or the car too fast the former is hit and the poor driver finds himself with an angry rancher down his neck and a law-suit on his hands.

The country, though in places hot and dry, has some beautiful spots farther up and on either side. The Cariboo valley is generally narrow but in spots it widens out to make room for a lake or plain. It is particularly pretty where the deep green of the pine and fir suddenly breaks and the pale green-yellow of a cottonwood grove continues down to the shore of a deep mountain lake or bed of a spring. Farther up the valley the mountains widen and nearly disappear and there one will find large cattle ranches bordering on small homesteads. There are few sheep ranches but one might see occasionally a thousand sheep being moved slowly down the road to new feeding grounds.

Of hunting sports there are plenty. In the way of big game there are moose, deer, and coyotes. Sometimes the odd cougar is shot for bounty because of the danger they are to stock. Coyotes, too, are shot for bounty when their fur is not on the market. In the deep lakes excellent trout weighing from one to thirty pounds are caught. For the small game hunter there are many pheasants, duck and

grouse, and it keeps property owners busy warning tourists with guns off their property during the season. One must be careful of the stories cooked up on such occasions.

In the fall of the year traffic is often held up by a herd of from twenty-five to one hundred and fifty head of cattle being driven along the road on their way to stock-yards where they are weighed and put on cattle cars for their journey to the meat packing plants. Often small herd owners ship their cattle with those of a large outfit for convenience in driving and shipping. It is an amusing thing to watch small children with their heads out of the car window and their mouths open as they stare with awe at the cattle shunting the car as they go past. Occasionally a startled steer will shatter headlights or a fender as revenge for giving it such a fright.

If the visitor still remains in doubt as to the variation of events in the Lower Cariboo he must look elsewhere for his excitement.

G. H. S. P. (Form VL)

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FRUSTRATION

You're "crew" because you're junior,
We'll launch the boat together,
—There'll be but me and you—
And I will be the captain,
And you shall be the crew.
I know a secret channel,
That cleaves a woody brake,
And pulsing sounds are heard there,
Like heart-beats in the Lake.
'Tis said on winter evenings,
Whene'er the moon is full,
Pale figures pass along there
In motion magical,
To reach a pallid water,
That lies around the bend,
Where Time may never enter,
And Life may never end.
And this, the Lake's dark secret,
I mean to have from her,
Though Arthur's self should guard it
With bright Excalibur.
And I am "captain," mind.
—O look, the Head has written:
"Too young." Our leave's not signed.

R. A. B. M.

A Trip to the Land of the Incas

LAST year, in the month of July, I had the opportunity, together with my parents and another family, of making a tour to the ancient city of Cuzco.

We left Lima, which is the capital of Peru, by aeroplane on a five-hour flight to the second city of the country, Arequipa, which is at the foot of an active volcano 20,320 feet high. That night we boarded the train which, during the night, was to take us to "Juliacaca," a small Indian village not far from Puno and the famous Lake Titicaca, which is the highest navigable lake in the world. After a half-hour stop, we changed from a sleeping to a saloon-car so as to continue our journey to Cuzco. The train stopped at almost every station along the way so that we were all able to stretch our legs a little, but unfortunately the altitude did not encourage much walking around. The way the Indians' dresses, especially those of the women, changed from one province to another, was particularly noticeable. For example, in one province it was the custom to wear large hats in the shape of pancakes decorated with bright colours, while in another it was the fashion to wear hats with narrow brims and high crowns. It was interesting to see the llama, alpaca, huanai and vicuña herds that roamed wild on the mountain-sides and which usually stopped at a safe distance, staring curiously as the train rattled up and down the hills. About 9 o'clock that evening we ground to a stop at our destination. Immediately a crowd of yelling little Indian boys climbed into our car and started fighting to decide who should help to carry the baggage.

All the next day we spent walking about and seeing the important sights, such as the ancient temples to the Sun and Moon as well as the twelve-cornered stone which is a massive piece of rock forming part of the side of one temple.

The astounding thing about these temples is that mortar was never used in their construction, but all the stones were finely ground down and interlocked firmly into place. The following day was spent going over the six churches and two cathedrals. All these churches were constructed by the Spaniards after they had captured Cuzco from the Incas, and were decorated with magnificent paintings in gilt frames brought from Spain in galleons and carried more than five hundred miles on the backs of Indian slaves; but not all of these paintings were brought from Spain: some of them were painted in Cuzco itself by "Criollos" or half-breeds. The most interesting of these churches was, I thought, the ancient cathedral called "Iglesia del Triunfo," which has a beautifully carved stone altar and was the first cathedral to be built in South America.

The rest of the week was spent going over the ruins at Tam-pumachay, Puca Pucana, Keno, Machu Picchu and Fort Sacsahu-

man. At Machu Picchu we saw the sun-fixing clock where the high priest stood every morning to welcome the sun-god as he rose and on special occasions performed sacrifices to him. It was at Fort Sacsahuaman, which means "Satiated Hawk Ever Ready for War," that we saw the place where in 1536 an Indian general called Cahuide jumped over the cliff behind the fortress so as not to be captured by the Spaniards. Some of the stones forming this ancient fortress are more than thirty feet high and weigh one hundred tons. It is still a mystery how the Indians succeeded in transporting these rocks several miles and then placing them one on top of the other, thus making three lines of almost impregnable zigzagged fortifications.

After a tiring, but very interesting, week we reluctantly packed our suit-cases and started on the hard journey back to Arequipa, stopping at Puno for an uncomfortable night spent on one of the three passenger boats that sail on Lake Titicaca.

In Arequipa we spent three days resting and visiting the hot-water springs at the foot of the volcano. We then took the plane back to Lima and civilization. J. B. H. (Form VI)

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- A is for Anderson, blue-eyed and fair.
 - B is for Bice, untonsured of hair.
 - C is for Chapman, a prefect by trade.
 - D is for Day, a boy not afraid
to tackle a player who's double his size;
a hero of rugby in many boys' eyes.
 - E is for Edgett, who lives in Vancouver.
 - F is for France, an ardent Remover.
 - G is for Gowman, fat and true blue.
 - H is for Harrison, hails from Peru.
 - I and J too, no one of that name.
 - K is for Kueckelhan, bugler of fame.
 - L is for Loughary, a good friend of Pope.
 - M is for Mainguy, who'll thin down (we hope).
 - N is for Naden with girl friends galore.
 - O is for Oostermeyer, dead keen to score
a try, which so far he's never yet done;
the scrum does the work, the threes have the fun.
 - P is for Pruett, who has a small brother.
Patterson, too, he has another.
 - Q is the Question which fills us with fear
as to whether we'll pass at the end of the year.
 - R is for Rochester from Ottawa way.
 - S is for Saul from Francisco Bay.
 - V is for Veasey of school girl complexion.
 - W for Wood, who ends my collection
of the facts and the details about all the "queers"
with whom I have lived for these many long years.
- P. J. G. (Form VI)

Hawking

WE had our hawks ready to send after some game. We decided to go into the small forest of shrubs where I had seen some pheasants. After we had been there about five minutes one of our hawks started to flap its wings about. We all looked in the direction it was trying to fly but all we could see was an owl sitting on a perch high in an oak tree. Obviously the hawk was trying to fly up and fight this wise old owl. He was a hawk which we had found tangled in a barbed wire fence, and we always thought he was a feeble hawk. But he broke the short leash and flew up to engage the wise old owl. The owl seemed stronger than the poor old hawk, who started to flutter down to the earth, but when he was less than two feet from the ground he flew up with a glow coming from his wings. When the owl saw what was coming towards him he turned back and fell screaming to the earth, dead. Our hawk flew away and has never been seen since. The idea for this story came into my head one night when, up in the sky, I saw a bird, glowing in the sunset, in pursuit of an owl.

N. D. E. S. (Form Remove B)

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How I Went To Yosemite

MY story begins when we were having dinner. Father said, "Guess where we're going." Everyone had a guess. I said "To Yosemite," Father said "Yes." Later we started out, and after a long time going over hills and meadows we came to Yosemite. We saw the highest trees in the world and saw roads going through trees too. Then for a long time we followed a winding road around a mountain. Finally we came to a long, long tunnel. When we reached the other end it looked like a paradise; sheer cliffs of granite going thousands of feet high, waterfalls, beautiful trees, rivers, great rocks that seem to touch the sky, great domes made of granite, and oh, so many things else, that I cannot mention them all. One of the most wonderful sights was right on top of Camp Curry. There was a cliff. At 9.00 p.m., after a lot of music and movies, there was a fire fall. It dropped for about 200 feet or more, into a bay that you could not see. After a few days we climbed the Yosemite Falls. That Fall is the highest sheer fall in the world. It took us three hours to go just to the bottom of the fall because there was a smaller fall under the big one. We went to Glacier Point, that is where the Fire Fall comes from. We went to many other places that I can't tell about.

E. H. McK. (Form II)

My Trip To Bugs Bunny Studios

One Wednesday morning the only school period we had was Reading. Then we started off in the car for the Bugs Bunny Studios. First we had lunch at the Park, then we went to the Studio. When we got there, there was a big wall. Then we went into a door. Inside was a little Box Office and there was a Bugs Bunny comic put up to advertise it. While we were waiting we heard some funny music. Then a bell rang and out of every door came people. A man called Bob came up to us and took us to the room where they draw the pictures. He showed us some pictures of a movie that was going to be made. Next he took us to the room where they paint the backgrounds and then into the room where they put the Characters on Celluloid. The Celluloid is put onto the backgrounds. After that he showed us the machine which they start to animate the pictures. We also saw the camera which takes the pictures. After that we went to the Museum and then we went back.

J. M. McK. (Form II)



Exchanges

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of the following contemporaries:

The College Times (Upper Canada College)

The Grove Chronicle (Lakefield)

The Ashburian

The Brentonian

The Record (Trinity College School)

The Cardinal (St. Margaret's School)

The Midland Mirror

St. Peter's Chronicle (Cambridge, New Zealand)

The Strathcona News

Glenalmond Chronicle

RUGBY FOOTBALL

« 1944 »

THE Rugby team of 1944 was unlucky. Its record of one win, one draw and four defeats did not represent either the ability or fighting qualities of the side. We were dogged by injuries all through the season and were never able to play at full strength. Even so, our defeats were all by narrow margins—never more than 6 points. Edmunds captained the team very well.

The second XV, after losing its first match, settled down well and won its next three games comfortably.

But the best football of the year was played by the Colts' XV. Coached by the Head Master, their tackling was reminiscent of some of the great Shawnigan fifteens of the past. They were badly out-



1st RUGBY FIFTEEN

Back row: G. H. S. Parke, J. W. Pruett, W. R. Forrest, R. M. Patterson, S. G. Milbrad, J. A. R. Bourke, A. W. R. Burrows.

Middle row: I. G. L. Freeth, J. S. Oostermeyer, P. J. Goodenough, E. T. Naden (Captain), R. D. Chapman, J. B. Harrison, F. B. Collen.

Front row: W. F. Day.

weighed in their matches, but succeeded in giving a very creditable account of themselves. In a few years, when they have put on some weight, they should be a really good 1st XV.

1st XV—Edmunds (Captain), Fisher, Leir, Stainsby, Belither, Macdonald, King, Johnson, Doran, Raymond, Duncan, Chapman, Naden, Goodenough, McNeill.

« 1945 »

THE Rugby team this year was young, light and inexperienced. Only three of last year's side were available, and the 2nd XV were too small and light to provide any opposition for the 1st XV. Consequently we were forced to play seven a side in practice games. Snow prevented us from playing any matches before the Inter-School games, and we were compelled to field a raw side against opponents who were all above average in weight, age and experience. In the circumstances it was not surprising that we lost all our games by a large score. St. George's, who had a very good side, beat us by 53-0, Brentwood by 27-0 and University School by 23-0. Despite the heavy scoring against them, however, the team never gave up trying, and improved with every game. Next year we should have a really good side.

The Colts XV, who had more opportunities for practice, gave a good account of themselves in their match with University School Colts. Although they were beaten 12-0 they were very near to scoring on several occasions, and with a little more luck they might easily have won.



CRICKET 1945

1945 was one of the most successful cricket seasons. Although we had very little bowling, we won five matches and lost only one. The batting was quite sound, but the main reason for the team's success lay in the fielding. Macdonald set a fine example and showed good judgment in placing his field and Edmunds was very safe behind the wicket.

The Brentwood match was the most exciting seen for many years. Brentwood batted first and seven wickets were down for 37. But at this point our bowling broke down and we were left with the formidable task of getting 97 runs in an hour and a half. Our batsmen at first had little difficulty with the bowling but runs came too slowly and in attempting to force the pace we lost several wickets. Finally when the last over was called we needed three runs to win with the last two men in. Fortunately Duncan and Johnson rose to the occasion and the winning run was scored off the fifth ball.

The Colts, though not so successful as the 1st XI, played good cricket, and there is every probability that future teams will be able to give as good an account of themselves as those of the past.

1st XI—Macdonald (Captain), Edmunds, Everest, Goodenough, Leir, Fisher, Stainsby, Oostermeyer, Johnson, Duncan, Relton.

1st XI, 1944—Macdonald (Captain), Ling, Payne, Edmunds, Everest, Goodenough, Leir, Stainsby, Chapman, Oostermeyer, Johnson.

1st XI, 1943—Hickey (Captain), Huntington, Larsen, Macdonald, Forrest, Ling, Barton, Wallis, Selous, Smith, Edmunds.



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✱ VALETE ✱
1943

RIPLEY'S

Ely, E. C. M., 1939.
Forrest, I. M., 1940. 1st XV, 1st XI.
Gale, J. R., 1941.
Hickey, M. V. C., 1938. School Prefect, 1st XV, 1st XI.
Huntington, J. R., 1940. School Prefect. 1st XI.
Ramus, K. G., 1938. 1st XV.
Selous, G. M. B., 1942.
Taylor, J. M. M., 1941.
Tomlin, H. S., 1941.
Wallis, K. F. A., 1939.

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LAKE'S

Ballentine, P. B., 1937. School Prefect.
Barton, D. C., 1940.
Clarke, T. G., 1940.
Graham, P. D., 1941.
Hughes, K. P., 1938. School Prefect. 1st XV, 1st XI.
McNicol, D. N., 1941.
Mitten, R. A., 1939. School Prefect. 1st XV.
Roberts, D., 1941.
Stokes, J. W., 1938. School Prefect. 1st XV.

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GROVES'

Deveson, P. C. S., 1940.
Koerner, N. T., 1940.
Larsen, E. R., 1938. School Prefect. 1st XV, 1st XI.
Macdonald, H. W., 1938. School Prefect.
Paterson, J. B. S., 1942.
Smith, D. B., 1941. 1st XV.
Torland, E., 1941.

✧ VALETE ✧
1944

RIPLEY'S

Adams, C. W., 1942.
Collison, N., 1940.
Hodgson, D. L., 1943.
Payne, E. R., 1942. 1st XI.
Roenisch, H. W., 1937. 1st XV.
Seagraves, J. A., 1942.

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LAKE'S

Agar, C. W., 1942.
Craandyk, F. W., 1943.
Hughes, N. P., 1940. 1st XV.
Leir, P. H., 1942.
Race, G. P., 1943.
Steiwier, J. P., 1939. School Prefect, 1st XV.

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GROVES'

Balme, O. R., 1941. School Prefect, 1st XV.
Ling, R. S. M., 1941. 1st XV, 1st XI.
Lyon, J. N., 1943.
Paterson, G. G., 1942.



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1945

RIPLEY'S

Belither, P., 1939. School Prefect. 1st XV.
Cowley, M. C., 1940.
Doran, J. D., 1944. 1st XV.
Everest, B. B., 1943. 1st XI.
Macdonald, H. G., 1937. School Prefect. 1st XV, 1st XI.
Warren, J. S., 1942.

LAKE'S

Bowman, B. E., 1944.
Bowman, K. E., 1944.
Edmunds, E. E., 1942. School Prefect. 1st XV, 1st XI.
King, H. W. B., 1943.
Leir, J., 1940. School Prefect. 1st XV, 1st XI.
Preston, L. J., 1942.
Toshach, E. A., 1941.

GROVES'

Duncan, I. W., 1943. 1st XV.
Ely, R. G., 1940.
Fisher, R. M., 1940. School Prefect. 1st XV.
Johnson, A. C., 1943. 1st XV, 1st XI.
Ling, J. C. M., 1941.
Ling, T. C. M., 1944.
Price, J. S., 1944.
Rawlinson, P. F., 1940. 1st XV, 1st XI.
Sharp, R. St.J., 1943.
Stainsby, F. M., 1938. 1st XV, 1st XI.



* BIRTHS *

- NEEL—In Scotland, in January, 1943, to the wife of Flight-Lieut. L. W. Neel (1917-1924), a daughter.
- PIDDINGTON—At Victoria, B. C., on March 27th, 1943, to the wife of Squadron Leader J. A. Piddington (1925-1932), a daughter.
- PIDDINGTON—At Victoria, B. C., on May 19th, 1943, to the wife of Flying Officer T. A. Piddington (1925-1928), a daughter.
- JERMAIN—At Prince Rupert, B. C., on June 7th, 1943, to the wife of Pay-Lieut. R. L. V. Jermain (1930-1931), a son.
- MILNE—At Halifax, N. S., on August 18th, 1943, to the wife of W. M. Milne (1928-1932), a son.
- WATSON—At Victoria, B. C., on August 19th, 1943, to the wife of Flying Officer J. H. B. Watson (1923-1924), a daughter.
- REYNOLDS—At Edmonton, Alta., on August 22nd, 1943, to the wife of Lieut. J. W. Reynolds (1930-1937), a son, Graham Kristian.
- BURKE—At Victoria, B. C., on August 28th, 1943, to the wife of Lieut. C. Burke (1930-1932), a daughter.
- LARSEN—At Vancouver, B. C., on September 23rd, 1943, to the wife of Lieut. J. H. R. Larsen (1921-1929), a son, John Edward.
- LAWSON—At Victoria, B. C., on October 8th, 1943, to the wife of Lieut. D. J. Lawson (1931-1933), a daughter.
- BAZETT—At Duncan, B. C., on November 4th, 1943, to the wife of Squadron-Leader C. E. R. Bazett (1924-1930), a daughter.
- BURCHARD—On November 23rd, 1943, to the wife of Lieut. D. W. Burchard (1934-1938), a son, Peter Crichton.
- BEST—On May 9th, 1944, to the wife of Group Captain Gordon Livingstone Best (1922-1925), a daughter, Heather Gordon.
- GRINNELL—At Kingston, Ont., on July 29th, 1944, to the wife of Lieut. James Briggs Grinnell (1932-1934), a daughter, Martha Brewster.
- OSLER—On October 21st, 1944, to the wife of Dr. Geoffrey Frank Osler (1918-1923), a daughter, Judith Siddons.
- JOHNSTON—At Victoria, B. C., on December 4th, 1944, to the wife of Lt. Derek Lukin Johnston (1926-1929), a son, Dudley Lukin.
- REED—At Toronto, Ont., on November 25th, 1945, to the wife of George William Reed (1930-1935), a son, George William Bryan.

✱ MARRIAGES ✱

DERBY-MATHEUS—On June 15th, 1943, at Seattle, Wash., Richard Derby (1934-1939) to Marian Aline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles William Matheus, Jr.

PLUMMER-MACDONALD—On July 3rd, 1943, at Vancouver, B. C., Lieut. Alexander Bergin Plummer (1927-1932) to Muriel Shirley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vans Macdonald.

MAITLAND-LE COUTEUR—On August 10th, 1943, at Vancouver, B. C., Lieut. Robert Reed Maitland (1929-1934) to Margaret Inez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederic H. Le Couteur.

KENNEDY-FRENCH—On August 14th, 1943, at Victoria, B. C., Waring Duff Kennedy 1930-1933) to Vivian Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy E. French.

O'CALLAGHAN-FRANCIS—On September 11th, 1943, at Victoria, B. C., Flying Officer Robert Boulton O'Callaghan (1928-1936) to Diana Josephine, daughter of Mrs. H. L. Francis.

HICKEY-COWAN—On January 26th, 1944, at Atlantic City, New Jersey, Yates Hickey (1935-1940) to Lucy Caroline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sinclair Cowan.

TRYON-CUNLIFFE—On April 26th, 1944, at Blackpool, England, L/Bdr. John Tryon (1924-1932) to Ethel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Cunliffe.

WHEELER-WAKELEY—On May 20th, 1944, at Chicago, Illinois, Edward Anderson Wheeler (1937-1939) to Barbara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Weeks Wakeley.

WACE-TAYLOR—On May 29th, 1944, at Vancouver, B. C., Michael Trafford Wace (1929-1936) to Myrtle Agnes, daughter of Mr. C. J. Taylor, and the late Mrs. Taylor.

MCCRERY-DERBY—On July 3, 1944, at Tacoma, Washington, William Brower McCreery (1934-1938) to Anita, daughter of Mrs. Richard Derby.

BIRD-MCCALLUM—On August 26th, 1944, at Victoria, B. C., John Bird (1929-1934) to Molly, daughter of Captain Eric N. McCallum, D.S.O., and Mrs. McCallum.

NEEL-CROSBY—In October, 1944, in England, Miles Neel (1927-1924) to Margaret Crosby, daughter of the late Mr. A. G. Crosby and Mrs. Simpson.

CANTELON-GAIRDNER—On December 16th, 1944, at Oakville, Ont., John David Cantelon (1928-1931) to Norma Jane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Gairdner.

BEST-ATKINSON—On December 16th, 1944, at Dayton, Ohio, Norman Best (1925-1928) to Muriel Atkinson.

BRADFORD—WINSLOW—On January 15th, 1945, at Victoria, B. C., Peter Bradford (1925-1930) to Barbara Peace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Edward Winslow.

LAKE-LEE-WRIGHT—On July 3rd, 1945, at Patricia Bay, B. C., Lancelot Charles Lake (1933-1942) to Joan Valerie, daughter of Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. H. Lee-Wright.

MAYBEE-DAVIDSON BLACK—On August 4th, 1945, at Toronto, Ont., John Ryerson Maybee (1929-1934) to Nevitt, daughter of Mrs. Adena Davidson Black.

WHITTLE-COOK—On August 17th, 1945, at Vancouver, B. C., John Curran Whittle (1930-1936) to Constance Rebecca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney John Cook.

LADNER-FLECK—On September 14th, 1945, at Vancouver, B. C., Thomas Ladner (1928-1931) to Janet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Fleck.

HARTNELL-HOWDEN—On November 7th, 1945, at Vancouver, B. C., Doan Melville Martnell (1935-1939) to Mary Florence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Howden.

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* DEATHS *

- GOLBY—In February, 1943, in Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, Thomas M. W. Golby (1917-1921).
- HARCOURT—On July 5th, 1943, at East Grinstead, England, Robert Wesley Harcourt (1924-1930).
- PIDDINGTON—On July 28th, 1943, missing in Royal Air Force operations over Germany, James Arthur Piddington (1925-1932).
- BUDD—In July, 1943, in Sicily, James Harry Budd (1929-1936).
- BISHOP—On August 10th, 1943, missing in Air Force operations over Germany, John Philpott Bishop (1920-1926).
- DAY—On August 24th, 1943, missing in Air Force operations over Germany, Chester Richard Day (1930-1938).
- McKEAN—In August, 1943, in United States Army Air Force, John L. McKean (1928-1930).
- COTTON—On December 27th, 1943, with Special Service Force in Italy, Miles A. Cotton (1925-1930).
- MARTIN—On May 24th, 1944, with Royal Canadian Artillery in Italy, Jock S. V. Martin (1918-1921).
- OSLER—On June 6th, 1944, with Canadian Scottish Regiment in France, Kenneth Siddons Osler (1919-1923).
- FERGUSON—On June 8th, 1944, with Royal Winnipeg Rifles in France, William Stewart Ferguson (1922-1926).
- OLIVER—On July 28th, 1944, in Royal Canadian Air Force, Michael Richard Frewin Oliver (1928-1935).
- STEWART-MACLEOD—On July 30th, 1944, with Royal Canadian Artillery in Normandy, William Ludovic Stewart-MacLeod (1918-1920).
- ALLEN—On August 9th, 1944, with 28th Armoured Regiment in Normandy, Carleton Allen (1928-1932).
- HULKE—On November 20th, 1944, missing in Air Force operation in the Middle East, Cecil Wallis Lloyd-Hulke (1920-1921).
- REID—On December 11th, 1944, missing in Royal Canadian Air Force operations over Holland, Peter Talbot Reid (1940-1942).
- GREGORY—On December 22nd, 1944, in Royal Canadian Air Force, Francis Brook Pickard Gregory (1933-1936).
- BOURDILLON—In December, 1944, in France, Patrick Gerard Francis Bourdillon (1929-1933).
- FIX—In December, 1944, with the United States Commando Forces in France, George Dodson Fix (1936-1938).
- BELL-IRVING—In March, 1945, in Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, missing at sea, Richard Morris Bell-Irving (1928-1934).
- MATTHEWS—Missing in Royal Air Force operations, Denis Alec Matthews (1930-1936).

A Letter to the Old Boys.

My dear Old Boys:

Each year, since Christmas, 1939, we have looked forward with the hope that the following year would see the end of hostilities and the beginning of a new era of peace and prosperity. Now, at long last, that peace has come and it is with heartfelt gladness that I can send you the old wish that you may have a Happy New Year.

Shortage of staff, shortage of labour, shortage of most things have not made it easy to keep going during the past six years; but with pride in our past and faith in our future, with a good measure of thanks to the extra work put in by Messrs. Skrimshire, Twite, Manson and Duxbury, we have emerged triumphantly with spirits high. A school, however, cannot exist without sufficient boys and Shawnigan's numbers are still at wartime level. Staff is now up to strength, recruited mainly from veterans with much pre-war experience and, now that the menace of a Japanese invasion has vanished, it is hoped that the numbers will rise again and the School once more be filled to capacity. But hope alone is not enough and this is where you can help. Keep in touch with the School by writing and, when possible, by visiting. Remember the School in your clubs, in your homes, in your daily activities and by the example you yourselves afford persuade parents to send us boys to carry on the traditions you have built.

The life blood of the School is the Old Boys. Your entirely enviable record is our proud heritage, your conduct in the world our justification, and in your hands our future as our past must largely lie.

Once again, the Season's greetings and with all good wishes from,

Yours affectionately,

C. W. LONSDALE.

OLD BOYS' NOTES

On September 4th, 1945, the Head Master attended an Investiture at Government House where he had the pleasure of seeing three Old Boys received Distinguished Service awards: Lt.-Comdr. J. D. Maitland, Lt.-Comdr. C. Burke and Lieut. T. E. Ladner.

Other decorations have been won by the following Old Boys: Comdr. Owen Robertson, George Medal; Comdr. R. W. B. Lacon, D.S.C.; Lieut. Judd Whittall, D.S.C.; Lt.-Colonel John Lake, Military Cross and Bar; Lt.-Colonel C. E. Tryon, D.S.O. and M.B.E.; Anthony Noble, Military Cross; Fred Noble, Military Cross; Brigadier H. P. Bell-Irving, D.S.O. and Bar; Brigadier W. G. H. Roaf, O.B.E.; Captain J. C. Whittle, Military Cross; Major Arthur Morris, M.B.E.; Wing Comdr. R. A. Barton, D.F.C. and Bar and A.F.C.; Flying Officer Raymond Best, D.F.C.; Wing Comdr. J. A. Piddington, D.F.C.; Wing Comdr. J. D. H. Slade, D.F.C.; Squadron Leader R. G. Crosby, D.F.C.; Flying Officer A. B. Fleck, D.F.C.; F/L A. B. Hammond, D.F.C. and Bar; F/L I. E. McPherson, D.F.C.; Sgt. A. A. Mellin, D.F.M.; F/L C. P. Shannon, D.F.C.; F/L A. R. Smith, D.F.C., and Ensign Yates Hickey, D.F.C. and Purple Heart.

Congratulations to Comdr. P. Haddon on his appointment to C.N.O.I.C., Pacific Reserve Fleet; to Lt.-Comdr. C. P. Nixon on his appointment as Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. Crescent; and to Lt.-Comdr. M. G. Stirling on his appointment as Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. Crusader.

Old Boys will be sorry to hear of the death of Dr. J. M. Blackford of Seattle, and also of Colonel A. F. M. Slater of Duncan, B. C.

We must congratulate Roger Stanier, who won a Guggenheim Foundation Scholarship in April, 1945, which entitles him to a year's research work at Cambridge University or at the U.S.S.R. Academy of Science in Moscow. Before that he was doing work of great importance in increasing the production of penicillin.

Allan Crisp is now carrying on a very successful private practice in Toronto. Harry Cotton is Commanding Officer at Nanaimo, B. C. Harold Macdonald, who won the Provincial District Scholarship last year, is at Toronto University. R. M. Simpson is taking a Commerce course at McGill University. Brigadier W. G. H. Roaf is in charge of the future happiness of returned men in B. C. R. M. Fisher and Peter Belither left in July and have joined the Royal Navy. Peter Bradford and his wife are giving excellent meals and are always glad to see Old Boys at "The Chalet" on the top of the Malahat. Thane Rogers spent three weeks at the School in 1944

and to him we owe the new flags which we have been flying ever since his visit. Bob Hyndman and his wife spent a couple of days at the School during the summer holidays, during which time he occupied himself with canvas and pigments and presented to the School a portrait of the Head Master. Other visitors who stayed at the School during the summer holidays were Thorne Corse and his wife.

Amongst Old Boys who came up for the November 11th Weekend were Peter Duke, Bob Mitten, Peter and Ian Forrest, W. R. B. Forster, Martin Stainsby and Don Barton. Other old boys who have visited the School during recent years are Peter Skrimshire, John Ley, Jack Campbell, Craig Campbell, Lionel and Michael Wace, Jack Whittle, Bob Maitland, Philip and Lindley Musgrave, John Mara, Fred Davis, Warren Bell, Walter Ewing, Glen Archer, George Houser, Ramsay and Bill Milne, Robin Hayward, Jack Nicholls, Ian McPherson, Erik and Tor. Torland, Skid Ashby, Tony Slater, Alex. Plummer, Pat Maxwell and Bob Simpson.

Art. Smith, Doug. Newton and John Cross are at their respective addresses in Calgary. Old Boys at the University of British Columbia include Don Barton who holds the Douglas Woodward Scholarship, Dave Smith, Camville Layard, Bob Mitten, Drew Fleck, John Wheeler, Ned Larsen, Jack Nicholls, Pat Ballentine, Nick Koerner and John Hicks.

I have had most interesting letters from Vernon Ardagh, David Rhodes, Hashi Cotton, Allan Crisp, Bob Harcourt, Bill Ferguson, Monty Tyrwhitt-Drake and Jack Reynolds.

A few words about ex-members of the staff may be of interest. First, Mrs. Stanton, having given up dispensing Gregory Powder, is spending much time in trying to keep the garden healthy; Major Curwen is at Vernon; Mr. Musgrave is a Captain in the Navy at St. Hyacinthe; Mr. Martin Ellis is a Commander in the Navy and is instructing at the Royal Naval College; Mr. Maurice Ellis is still a school master in England; the Rev. F. E. Tomalin is the vicar of St. Alban's in Victoria the Rev. E. M. Willis is at Cobble Hill and once more helps us by taking the Services in Chapel; Mr. Ellissen has sold his school in Calgary and rumours are that he may retire to this Coast; Mr. Trotman, who was in the Imperial Army and a prisoner of war, is now back in England at Long Bredy, Dorset; Mr. C. J. G. Lonsdale is still in the Army; Mr. Ignatieff we hear is at Western University; Mr. Manson is in Victoria and is reported to be in somewhat better health than last year and we miss him as much as ever.

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